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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd  
Chief Clerk/Executive Director  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, SC 29210

**Re: South Carolina Energy Freedom Act (House Bill 3659) Proceeding to Address S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-460(A)(1) and S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-460(A)(2) (Promulgation and Periodic Review of Standards for Interconnection and Parallel Operation of Generating Facilities to an Electrical Utility's Distribution and Transmission System)  
Docket No. 2019-326-E**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (collectively, the "Companies") submit this letter respectfully requesting that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") approve the Companies' Application for Approval of Modifications to South Carolina Generator Interconnection Procedures to Implement Queue Reform and Appendix Duke CS ("Application") no later than February 10, 2021.

On November 17, 2020, the Companies filed their Application requesting expedited review and approval of revisions to the South Carolina Generator Interconnection Procedures ("SC GIP") to enable a Cluster Study<sup>1</sup> process and to transition the Companies' South Carolina generator interconnection study process to a Cluster Study process through a new Appendix Duke CS ("Queue Reform Proposal"). Also, on November 17, 2020, Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. filed a letter in support of the limited enabling revisions to the SC GIP that support the Companies' Queue Reform Proposal presented in the Application.

On January 20, 2021, the South Carolina Solar Business Alliance, Inc. ("SCSBA") filed comments in support of the Companies' Queue Reform Proposal. Over 60 days have passed since the Application was submitted, and no other parties have filed comments or otherwise objected to approval and implementation of the Companies' Queue Reform Proposal.

Given that the Companies' Queue Reform Proposal in South Carolina is unopposed, and the fact that the Companies require approval of the Queue Reform Proposal in order to coordinate implementation among the Companies' South Carolina, North Carolina, and federal

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<sup>1</sup> See Attachment 2 to the Companies' Application for a glossary of capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein.

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interconnection queues, the Companies respectfully request the Commission approve the Companies' Application no later than February 10, 2021.

Approval of the Companies' Application by this date will allow the Companies to proceed to request approval of the complementary Queue Reform Proposal from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and to proceed towards a coordinated transition of the Companies' generator interconnection process for the benefit of all Interconnection Customers.

Sincerely,



Rebecca J. Dulin

CC: Parties of Record (via email)